

**Cuyahoga Valley National Park
Summer 2012 Schedule of Events
Chronological Order**

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Friday, June 1

National Trails Weekend Hike - Brandywine Falls Walk

Take a short, easy stroll to discover this 60-foot waterfall. Brandywine Falls, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

National Trails Weekend Hike - Explore the Ledges

Get the summer off to a cool start by hiking 2.2 moderate miles through the sandstone cliffs of the Richie Ledges. Ledges Shelter, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Dinner in the Valley

Join us for a traditional Indian meal prepared by Chef Larkin Rogers after she shares her knowledge of Indian spices and cooking traditions. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, 6 p.m. For pricing and reservations, call 330-657-2796 ext. 121 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

Saturday, June 2

Safe Is Sound starts

In order to reduce accidents and improve trail courtesy, CVNP and its partners are continuing the Towpath Trail safety campaign for another summer. The theme, Safe Is Sound, highlights the need for cyclists to give an audible signal when passing. Look for giveaways, safety stops, and more through Saturday, September 1!

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad (CVSR) Regular Excursions

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Bird Watching - Wren Search

Winter wrens, with their endless bubbly songs, have nested in the deep hemlock forests at the Ledges for the past two years. Join Park Ranger Paul Motts as we search for house wrens and other songbirds along the 2-mile Ledges Trail. Ledges Shelter, 7:30 - 10 a.m.

National Trails Weekend Hike - Buckeye North

Join a park ranger for a strenuous 7.5-mile hike along the Buckeye Trail from Jaite to Station Road. Wear sturdy shoes and bring snacks and water. Carpooling required. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 8 a.m. - noon.

Adopt-a-Trail Workshop

Do you want to help improve our national park's trails? Learn trail maintenance techniques and volunteer on an actual trail sweep. Ledges Shelter, 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. To register contact the volunteer office.

Countryside Farmers' Market

Howe Meadow, 9 a.m. - noon. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

National Trails Weekend Hike - Let's Move Outside! Family Hike

Calling all Junior Rangers and their families! Celebrate National Trails Day on the move. Make your own trail mix and hit the trail for a guided hike. For ages 4 - 11. Kendall Lake Shelter, 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Art @ M.D. Garage - Cuyahoga Critters

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Come Trek With Us!

Join us for an informative walk n' talk along the Towpath Trail to learn about the canal era, the Big Red Wheel, and the people who put Akron on the map! Mustill Store, 11 a.m. - noon. For more information call 330-374-5625 or visit www.cascadelocks.org.

National Trails Weekend Hike - Brandywine Falls Walk

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Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

National Trails Weekend Hike - Trails Day Hike

Celebrate National Trails Day in your national park! Join a park ranger on this moderately difficult 3.3-mile hike on the Lake and Cross Country trails. Kendall Lake Shelter, 2 - 4 p.m.

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National Trails Weekend Hike - Stanford and Brandywine Gorge

Enjoy a 4.5-mile Sunday hike on the moderate Stanford and Brandywine Gorge trails to start the week off right. Boston Store Visitor Center, 9 - 11 a.m.

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Hang Out at Hunt/ Tunes Along the Trail - Patrick and Nikki Custy

Stop by with a blanket to hear Irish fiddle/ guitar outdoor music along the Towpath Trail.

Cancelled during inclement weather. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

National Trails Weekend Hike - Evening Marshlands

Join a park ranger to explore a beaver marsh at dusk, a time when many animals are active. Ira Trailhead, 8 - 10 p.m.

Monday, June 4

Full Moon Hike

Hiking at night under a full moon is a memorable experience, especially when your guide is a park ranger. Hike 2.75 miles on the easy-to-moderate Tree Farm Trail. Horseshoe Pond, 9 - 11 p.m.

Tuesday, June 5

No events scheduled.

Wednesday, June 6

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Early Evening Hike

Join a park ranger during the cooler evening hours for these moderately paced hikes. Hike 4 miles on the easy Towpath and Hale Farm Connector trails. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

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Little Legs Hike - Colors We See

This less-than-one-mile discovery hike is designed for ages 4 - 6. Oak Hill Trailhead, 10 - 11 a.m.

Countryside Farmers' Market

Highland Square, 4 - 7 p.m. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

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CVSR “Ales on the Rails” Beer-Tasting Train - A Taste of Ales Perfect for Summer

Sample five unique beers to learn about their appearance, bouquet, body, flavors, and finish while you enjoy appetizers designed to complement each brew. Ages 21 and older. Reservations required. Fee: \$45 coach, \$65 first class, and \$80 executive class/dome seats. Boston Mill Station, 7 - 9 p.m. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.CVSR.com.

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Jr. Ranger Bird Watching

Join a park ranger for these FREE adventures to see and hear what you’ve been missing! For ages 7 and older. Oak Hill Trailhead, 9 - 11 a.m.

Countryside Farmers’ Market

Howe Meadow, 9 a.m. - noon. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Explore Boston

The village of Boston has a colorful past that shaped the valley as we know it today. Join a park ranger for a leisurely stroll around this community as we step back into history. Boston Trailhead, 10 - 11:30 a.m.

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Jonathan Hale Pioneer Festival

Explore early 19th-century life, meet War of 1812 soldiers, and learn what it took to be a soldier in the early 1800s. Fee. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information call 330-666-3711 or visit www.halefarm.org.

Brandywine Falls Walk

Take a short, easy stroll to discover this 60-foot waterfall. Brandywine Falls, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Canalway Questing/ Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to chat with park rangers and Quest Crew volunteers about the new Canalway Questing

program. Pick up quest clues and carve your own signature stamp. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Tunes Along the Trail - Jon Mosey

Stop by with a blanket to hear original roots guitar outdoor music along the Towpath Trail. Cancelled during inclement weather. Canal Visitor Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Sunday, June 10

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Theatre Camp begins

Through Friday, June 15. For those entering grades 4 - 10. Fee: \$425 overnight, \$325 days only. For more information call 330-657-2796 ext. 100 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

Beat the Heat Hike

4.5 miles on the moderately difficult Plateau Trail. Oak Hill Trailhead, 8 - 10 a.m.

Pesky Plant Hike - Towpath Invasion

Many beautiful plants surround the Towpath Trail. Identify which ones are invasive and which are native. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 10 - 11:30 a.m.

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Horses in the Valley

Horses harnessed to the fronts of wagons, plows, or canal boats are pastoral images from the Cuyahoga Valley's past. Of all the farm animals in the national park, the horse's role has changed most over the years. Today, on horseback is one of the many ways to explore the national park and to volunteer! Drop by to meet the horses and riders of the CVNP Trailblazer mounted patrol. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

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Music By Nature - Bonita Boyd and Nicholas Goluses

This virtuoso duo, professors of flute and guitar, respectively, teach at the Eastman School of Music, which is widely recognized as one of the world's premier conservatories. They have appeared to critical acclaim as recitalists and soloists with orchestras throughout the world. Hines Hill Conference Center, 6:30 p.m. Dessert reception to follow. Grounds open at 5 p.m. for picnicking Admission: \$20, \$17 Conservancy members (includes a dessert reception). Season ticket subscription (all 3 concerts): \$54, \$45 Conservancy members. General seating. Advance sales are available until 3 p.m. on Friday for that Sunday's show by calling 330-657-2909 ext. 100.

Monday, June 11

Countryside U - Exploring the Small Farm Dream

The Countryside Conservancy offers a wide array of workshops, classes, and seminars intended to inspire, educate, and mobilize the next generation of farmers and food producers. For fees and to register call Katie Myers-Griffith at 330-657-2542 ext. 222 or visit www.cvcountryside.org. Locations will be given upon registration. 6 - 9 p.m.

Tuesday, June 12

Get Up, Get & Go! Series Kickoff

Get Up, Get Out & Go! (GGG) offers free outdoor recreational activities for kids ages 11 - 14 and their families to get out into their national park, Cleveland Metroparks, and Metro Parks, Serving Summit County. **Tonight's program is a ride on the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad starting at 6:30 p.m.** Regular programs are Mondays through Thursdays, 7 to 9 p.m., and include wilderness training, night hiking, cycling, and fishing. Locations vary. On Wednesday, July 11, there will be a Music in the Meadow concert with family activities beforehand. Kids attending three GGG programs earn a 2012 Junior Ranger badge. Those attending eight will be eligible for a weekend campout, July 13 - 14. Registration is encouraged. For more information and a schedule, call 330-657-2752 ext. 351 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

Wednesday, June 13

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - Nature's Music

Listen—the forest has its own musical rhythms: a chorus of chirps, a drumming of feet, and a whistle through the trees. Tune into the sounds of nature: wiggle, dance, and make your own music! 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required

to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Music in the Meadow - *Brigid's Cross*

Take two talented vocalists with fabulous harmonies; add fiddle, keyboards, bodhran, and percussion; and the result is great entertainment! Grab a blanket and a picnic dinner and bring your family to hear FREE music in the national park! The celebration begins with lawn games and a musical craft. The concert series is presented by CVNP and the Conservancy with promotional support by AudioTechnica. Alcohol prohibited. Donations to support this series will be accepted at each event. Howe Meadow, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. concert begins. After the concert, cap off your evening with a ranger-led walk or Twilight Talk with a Ranger. Concerts are cancelled during severe weather. Call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for an update.

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Habitat Restoration - Remove Exotic Plants

Help park staff restore Cuyahoga Valley's ecosystem. For details and to register visit www.nps.gov/cuva/supportyourpark/volunteer-activities.htm or contact the volunteer office. 1 - 4 p.m.

Countryside Farmers' Market

Highland Square, 4 - 7 p.m. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Outrageous Exploration hike - Seeing Is Believing

These vigorous exploration hikes of up to 2.5 miles are geared for ages 7 - 12. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 7 - 8 p.m.

Contra Dance

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads the dancers while the band *Hu\$money* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Comfortable clothing and shoes recommended. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing.

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Theatre Camp ends

Begins, Sunday, June 10. For those entering grades 4 - 10. Fee: \$425 overnight, \$325 days only. For more information call 330-657-2796 ext. 100 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

Junior Ranger - Ledges Ramble

Explore the nooks and crannies above, below, and between enormous blocks of rock. Learn to use a GPS unit to find your way. Wear sturdy shoes for this easy 1.8-mile trail exploration. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

CVSR Wine-Tasting Express - Celebrate Ohio Wine Month

Enjoy an evening presentation of choice wines and tasty appetizers while experiencing the Cuyahoga Valley's scenic beauty by rail. Ages 21 and older. Reservations required. Fee: \$55 coach, \$75 first class, and \$90 executive class/dome seats. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.CVSR.com. Boston Mill Station, 7 - 9 p.m.

Cuyahoga Animals - Evening Beavers

Evening is when beavers emerge from their lodges to perform the important work of maintaining the marsh. Take this opportunity to explore the beavers' habitat at twilight, and—with a little luck—we might see one or two! Ira Trailhead, 8:30 - 10 p.m.

Saturday, June 16

Camp-in begins

Bring family and friends for a relaxing evening of free play and stories around the campfire, followed by a night under the stars. Bring your own camping equipment. Free. To register call 330-657-2752. Information will be e-mailed to participants upon registration.

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Bird Watching - Summer Courtship

This is a great time to watch songbirds showing off their bright summer plumage. Hike the 2.75-mile Tree Farm Trail with Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar as we search for nesting blue-wing warblers, golden-crown kinglets, and red-breasted nuthatches. Horseshoe Pond, 7 - 10 a.m.

Just Walk With a Doc

Join Richard Kratche, M.D., medical director of Cleveland Clinic Twinsburg Family Health and Surgery Center, and a park ranger for a casual 3 to 5 mile walk to learn more about health issues, improve fitness, and enjoy your national park. Choose how far you want to walk and go at your own pace. Canal Visitor Center, 8:30 a.m.

Countryside Farmers' Market

Howe Meadow, 9 a.m. - noon. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Habitat Restoration - Plant a Butterfly Garden

Help park staff restore Cuyahoga Valley's ecosystem. For details and to register visit www.nps.gov/cuva/supportyourpark/volunteer-activities.htm or contact the volunteer office. 9 a.m. - noon.

Rocks and Ravines

Join a park ranger as we discover how the rock cliffs and special community of plants and animals came to be at the Ledges. Ledges Shelter, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Seeds of Learning Farm and Food Program - This Little Farmer Goes to Market

Explore the outdoor living history museum through a hands-on tutorial on farm chores, and then head off to the Countryside Farmers' Market to meet local farmers and enjoy a late-morning snack. For children ages 4 - 12. Hale Farm & Village, 9:30 a.m. - noon. For more information, fees, and to register by June 8, call 330-657-2796 ext. 100.

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Train Day

Learn about trains and listen to train music. Fee for kids' crafts and train ride. Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation/CanalWay Center, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more information call 216-206-1000 or visit www.clevelandmetroparks.com.

Brandywine Falls Walk

Take a short, easy stroll to discover this 60-foot waterfall. Brandywine Falls, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Junior Ranger - Forest Night Hike

Join a park ranger for an easy hike in the moonlit woods and learn about nocturnal wildlife. No flashlights for this adventure! 8 - 10 p.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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CVSR Father's Day Special

Honor Dad on his special day by taking a vintage train ride through CVNP. Select any Summer Excursion for one low price. Fee: \$10. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.CVSR.com.

CVSR Hike Aboard!

Journey through CVNP aboard CVSR and then hike back along the challenging Buckeye Trail. Fee: \$2 per hiker. 7 miles, Brecksville Station, 9:10 a.m.

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Family Fun Day

Drop by any of the locations below to participate in family activities. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

- Investigate pelts and skulls, Beaver Marsh
- Play games, Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center
- Make a craft, Kendall Lake Shelter
- Enjoy a special treat, Trail Mix

- Discover history, Boston Store Visitor Center
 - Learn about bald eagles, Station Road Bridge Trailhead
 - Chat with a canal-era character, Canal Visitor Center
- The “discover history” programs feature special guests Burning River “N” Gauge Society Model Railroading in July and SBB Quilting Guild in August.

Hang Out at Hunt/ Tunes Along the Trail - Patrick and Nikki Custy

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Monday, June 18

Countryside U - Exploring the Small Farm Dream

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Summer Solstice Yoga

As we welcome summer on the longest day of the year, join Free Akron Yoga to perform 108 "sun salutations." All ages and experience levels welcome. Chant, move, breathe, and relax together. Wear loose, comfortable clothes and bring a mat or large beach towel. Water, blanket, blocks/straps, and/or eye pillow are optional. Free. Ledges Shelter, 6 - 10 p.m.

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - A Very Busy Forest

Come explore the wonders of the busy woods through art, story, hiking, and nature play. We'll search for clues to uncover what animals live among the trees. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Countryside Farmers' Market

Highland Square, 4 - 7 p.m. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Campfires Tales - Train Wrecks, Shipwrecks, and Spooky Tales

Bring a blanket and a picnic dinner. We'll play games on the lawn, and then light the campfire (indoors if the weather is poor) and share some good old-fashioned campfire tales. Afterwards, walk to the Ledges Overlook for a beautiful sunset. Alcohol is prohibited. Octagon Shelter, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. campfire begins.

Cuyahoga Valley Photographic Society - Lori Diemer and Don Kemp: CVPS Members Spotlight

Lori Diemer is a freelance professional photographer from Willoughby, Ohio. Her work has been exhibited, awarded, and published throughout the region. Her experiences in Alaska will be the focus of her presentation. Don Kemp will present “A Photo Tour of Lake County.” His images traverse ravines, waterfalls, rivers, wetlands, and Lake Erie shores—captured while hiking across Holden Arboretum, Mentor Headlands, and Lake Metroparks. Free. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 9 p.m. For more information contact CVPS at info@cvps.org or the Conservancy at 330-657-2909.

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Junior Ranger - After the Chores

Was life all work and no play for children growing up on a farm? Not after the chores were finished! Have fun with games and activities that entertained children in times past. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Junior Ranger, Jr. - Really Big Rocks

Step into a wondrous place of huge rocks, evergreens, and moss. A hike below the Ledges is always special. How were these rocks made? Do they change? Come find out! 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Little Legs Hike - Colors We See

This less-than-one-mile discovery hike is designed for ages 4 - 6. Oak Hill Trailhead, 10 - 11 a.m.

10th Annual Summer Solstice Wine, Art, and Blues Festival

Festival features area artists, Ohio wineries, and live music from local favorites. Admission: \$8 includes commemorative wine glass. Sarah's Vineyard, Friday 4 - 10:30 p.m., Saturday noon - 10:30 p.m., and Sunday noon - 6 p.m. For more information call 330-929-8057 or visit www.sarahsvineyardwinery.com.

Go Native! Workshops - Native Gardening at Home

Check out the newest native plant garden in the Cuyahoga Valley and discover how you can create beautiful native gardens at home. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 5 - 7 p.m. To register call 330-657-2752.

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Countryside Farmers' Market/ Saturdays at the' Market

Park Ranger Rebecca Jones visits the Countryside Farmers' Market on the fourth Saturday of the month. Come learn a bit of history about a fruit or vegetable in season. What fruit was created to slow a woman down? What vegetable caused a revolution? Maybe take home a new recipe. Howe Meadow, 9 a.m. - noon. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Habitat Restoration - Remove Exotic Plants

Help park staff restore Cuyahoga Valley's ecosystem. For details and to register visit www.nps.gov/cuva/supportyourpark/volunteer-activities.htm or contact the volunteer office. 9 a.m. - noon.

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Brandywine Falls Walk

Take a short, easy stroll to discover this 60-foot waterfall. Brandywine Falls, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Orienteering

Challenge your land navigation skills with the Northeastern Ohio Orienteering Club. Courses for all skill levels. Later enjoy ice cream treats after a hot day of orienteering! Bring a whistle and a

compass. Map fee: \$8 non-members, \$5 members. Oak Hill Trailhead, registration 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., staggered starts begin at noon. For more information call 866-812-8316.

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Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Tunes Along the Trail - Dave Marshall Band

Stop by with a blanket to hear ragtime and jazz outdoor music along the Towpath Trail. Cancelled during inclement weather. Boston Store Visitor Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

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Beat the Heat Hike

4.5 miles of the moderately difficult Salt Run and Lake trails. Pine Hollow Trailhead, 8 - 10 a.m.

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Monday, June 25

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Music in the Meadow - Alex Bevan

Alex has made a name for himself with recordings that span the gamut from folk to folk rock and pop to children's educational music. Grab a blanket and a picnic dinner and bring your family to hear FREE music in the national park! The celebration begins with lawn games and a musical craft. The concert series is presented by CVNP and the Conservancy with promotional support by AudioTechnica. Alcohol prohibited. Donations to support this series will be accepted at each event. Howe Meadow, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. concert begins. After the concert, cap off your evening with a ranger-led walk or Twilight Talk with a Ranger. Concerts are cancelled during severe weather. Call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for an update.

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Junior Ranger - Ultimate Junior Ranger Challenge

Race against time as you compete in a series of challenges that test your outdoor skills. See if you have what it takes to be called the Ultimate Junior Ranger! This is a Let's Move Outside! program. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100

Countryside Farmers' Market

Highland Square, 4 - 7 p.m., For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Civil War Lecture Series - Mr. Lincoln's Camera Man: An Evening With Matthew Brady

In commemoration of the Civil War sesquicentennial, listen to experts detail historical aspects of this American conflict. Free. G.A.R. Hall Museum, 7 p.m. For more information visit www.peninsulahistory.org.

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Contra Dance

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads the dancers while the band *Hu\$hmoney* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Comfortable clothing and shoes recommended. Fee: \$6. Everett Road Covered Bridge, 7 - 9 p.m. dancing.

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Outrageous Exploration hike - Seeing Is Believing

These vigorous exploration hikes of up to 2.5 miles are geared for ages 7 - 12. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 7 - 8 p.m.

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Off the Beaten Path hike - CVNP's Taller Waterfall

Search for waterfalls and ripples in the stream behind the Mudcatcher on this strenuous 3-mile hike. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 8:30 - 11 a.m.

Countryside Farmers' Market

June 30 is our Apron Ties and Homemade Pies Contest. Howe Meadow, 9 a.m. - noon. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Junior Ranger, Jr. - Meet the Unhuggables

A park ranger leads the hunt for "unhuggable" animals and plants that are in need of friends. Discover the important roles these ugly ducklings play in nature. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Creative Nature Journaling

Bring your nature journal to life with the colors of summer. The woods and fields near Furnace Run will provide the perfect backdrop as we take time to capture the sights in the pages of our journals. Everett Road Covered Bridge, 10 a.m. - noon. To register call 330-657-2752.

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Duck Derby

Enjoy artists and crafts, food vendors, live music, and our Rubber Ducky races! Lots of

opportunities to win prizes. Mustill Store, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more information call 330-374-5625 or visit www.cascadelocks.org.

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Hang Out at Hunt/ Tunes Along the Trail - Kate and Ray Ritchie

Stop by with a blanket to hear folk outdoor music along the Towpath Trail. Cancelled during inclement weather, Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

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Cemetery Survey

Park Ranger Rebecca Jones explores the Terra Vista cemetery, its symbols, and stories of early settlers in the Cuyahoga Valley. Come prepared to carpool. Canal Visitor Center, 8:30 - 10 a.m.

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Full Moon Hike

Hiking at night under a full moon is a memorable experience, especially when your guide is a park ranger. Hike 3.3-mile moderately difficult hike on the Lake and Cross Country trails. Kendall Lake Shelter, 9 - 11 p.m.

Wednesday, July 4

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CVSR Fourth of July Special

Celebrate Independence Day with a vintage train ride through the national park. Select any Summer Excursion for one low price. Fee: \$10. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.CVSR.com.

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2nd Annual Red, White, and Blue July 4th Celebration

Enjoy wine, wood-fired pizza, local fireworks, and live music by Alex Bevan and *Boy=Girl* (Jen Maurer and Paul Kovac's new act). Sarah's Vineyard, 5 - 10:30 p.m. Admission: \$5. For more information call 330-929-8057 or visit www.sarahsvineyardwinery.com.

Early Evening Hike

Join a park ranger during the cooler evening hours for these moderately paced hikes. Hike 2.75 easy miles along the Tree Farm Trail. Horseshoe Pond, 7 - 9 p.m.

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - Nature's Music

Listen—the forest has its own musical rhythms: a chorus of chirps, a drumming of feet, and a whistle through the trees. Tune into the sounds of nature: wiggle, dance, and make your own music! 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Countryside Farmers' Market

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Campfires Tales - Old-Fashioned Sing-Along

Bring a blanket and a picnic dinner. We'll play games on the lawn, and then light the campfire (indoors if the weather is poor) and share some good old-fashioned campfire tales. Afterwards, walk to the Ledges Overlook for a beautiful sunset. Alcohol is prohibited. Octagon Shelter, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. campfire begins.

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Evening Pond Exploration

People of all ages can enjoy an evening of hands-on discovery as we explore what lurks beneath the water at Sylvan Pond. Oak Hill Trailhead, 6 - 8 p.m.

Junior Ranger - Twilight Bat Flight

Eavesdrop on the ultrasonic calls of these fascinating fliers as we take an evening hike with special detectors to a longtime roost. Learn about the role of bats in the environment and the newest threat that faces them. 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. May be combined with Night Sky Discovery for one price (See below.) Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Junior Ranger - Night Sky Discovery

Begin the evening with a campfire, observe celestial objects with the naked eye and telescopes, and finish with a moonlit walk back to your car. 8:30 - 10:30 p.m. May be combined with Twilight Bat Flight for one price.

Saturday, July 7

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Towpath Freedom 5k

Participants run 5k along the newest section of Towpath Trail in downtown Akron, enjoying the sights as they raise money to continue building the popular trail. Fee. Lock 3. For more information call 330-374-5657 or e-mail blewis@ohioeriecanal.org.

Bird Watching - Challenging Juveniles

Many juvenile birds are exploring and trying to catch their own food. Identification can sometimes be challenging! Join Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar in search of newly fledged scarlet tanagers, rose-breasted grosbeaks, and other songbirds. Howe Meadow, 7 - 10 a.m.

Off the Beaten Path hike - Ravine Rambling

Explore a ravine and its stream just off old Distillery Lane on this 2-mile saunter. Boston Store Visitor Center, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Jr. Ranger Bird Watching

Join a park ranger for these FREE adventures to see and hear what you've been missing! For ages 7 and older. Ledges Shelter, 9 - 11 a.m.

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Come Trek With Us!

Join us for an informative walk n' talk along the Towpath Trail to learn about the canal era, the Big Red Wheel, and the people who put Akron on the map! Mustill Store, 11 a.m. - noon. For more information call 330-374-5625 or visit www.cascadelocks.org.

Brandywine Falls Walk

Take a short, easy stroll to discover this 60-foot waterfall. Brandywine Falls, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Summit Towpath 2012

CVNP joins other partners in celebrating the completion of the Towpath Trail through Summit County. Drop in for these free activities with park rangers and volunteers. For a complete event listing, visit www.ohioanderiecanalway.com.

Meet the Paw Patrol, Ira Trailhead, noon - 5 p.m.

Meet Wildlife Watchers, Beaver Marsh, noon - 5 p.m.

Water Quality Stop, Lock 29 Trailhead, 1 - 3 p.m.

Weekend Family Theatre in the Big Red Barn

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Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Tunes Along the Trail - Dave Rice

Stop by with a blanket to hear old-time outdoor music along the Towpath Trail. Cancelled during inclement weather, Boston Store Visitor Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Sunday, July 8

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Farm Camp begins

Through Friday, July 13. For those entering grades 4 - 8. Fee: \$425 overnight. For more information call 330-657-2796 ext. 100 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

Beat the Heat Hike

5.5 miles of the challenging Riding Run and Perkins trails. Everett Road Covered Bridge, 8 - 10:30 a.m.

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Family Fun Day

Drop by any of the locations below to participate in family activities. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

- Investigate pelts and skulls, Beaver Marsh
 - Play games, Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center
 - Make a craft, Kendall Lake Shelter
 - Enjoy a special treat, Trail Mix
 - Discover history, Boston Store Visitor Center
 - Learn about bald eagles, Station Road Bridge Trailhead
 - Chat with a canal-era character, Canal Visitor Center
- The “discover history” programs feature special guests Burning River “N” Gauge Society Model Railroading in July and SBB Quilting Guild in August.

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Music By Nature - Sounds of Souza Band

Experience an authentic Sousa-style concert by Marcus Neiman and his *Sounds of Souza Band*. These concerts are fast-paced, featuring outstanding soloists and always ending with a rousing finale of Sousa’s most famous composition, *The Stars and Stripes Forever*. Happy Days Lodge, 6:30 p.m. Dessert reception to follow. Grounds open at 5 p.m. for picnicking Admission: \$20, \$17 Conservancy members (includes a dessert reception). Season ticket subscription (all 3

concerts): \$54, \$45 Conservancy members. General seating. Advance sales are available until 3 p.m. on Friday for that Sunday's show by calling 330-657-2909 ext. 100.

Outrageous Exploration hike - Taking Flight

These vigorous exploration hikes of up to 2.5 miles are geared for ages 7 - 12. Happy Days Lodge (north parking lot), 7 - 8 p.m.

Monday, July 9

Get Up, Get & Go!

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Tuesday, July 10

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Wednesday, July 11

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Junior Ranger - Leave It to Beavers

Take a closer look at the life of a beaver. Discover how these animals can change a habitat to create a new one. We'll take a hike to search for signs of beaver activity. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Music in the Meadow - *HeartBEAT Afrika*

HeartBEAT Afrika performs a captivating mixture of street percussion, traditional African drums, song, storytelling, theatre, and dance. Grab a blanket and a picnic dinner and bring your family to hear FREE music in the national park! The celebration begins with lawn games and a musical craft. The concert series is presented by CVNP and the Conservancy with promotional

support by AudioTechnica. Alcohol prohibited. Donations to support this series will be accepted at each event. Howe Meadow, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. concert begins. After the concert, cap off your evening with a ranger-led walk or Twilight Talk with a Ranger. Concerts are cancelled during severe weather. Call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for an update.

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Thursday, July 12

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Junior Ranger - Stories of the River

Travel back in time aboard the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad to meet people from the valley's past. Listen to their words to discover and decide whether you could have survived the wilderness that once was. 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Fee: \$15 per child, \$12 Conservancy members, \$6 per additional passenger. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Junior Ranger, Jr. - Really Big Rocks

Step into a wondrous place of huge rocks, evergreens, and moss. A hike below the Ledges is always special. How were these rocks made? Do they change? Come find out! 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Habitat Restoration - Remove Exotic Plants

Help park staff restore Cuyahoga Valley's ecosystem. For details and to register visit www.nps.gov/cuva/supportyourpark/volunteer-activities.htm or contact the volunteer office. 1 - 4 p.m.

Countryside Farmers' Market

Highland Square, 4 - 7 p.m., For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Contra Dance

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads the dancers while the band *Hu\$hmoney* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Comfortable clothing and shoes recommended. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing.

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Farm Camp ends

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Get Up, Get & Go! Campout begins

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Little Legs Hike - Shapes in Nature

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Junior Ranger - All About Owls

Whooooo are we? We like to eat small mammals and are most active at night. Give up? Join a park ranger to learn about owls' nocturnal habits and dissect owl pellets to discover their favorite foods. 6 - 8 p.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to

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CVSR “Ales on the Rails” Beer-Tasting Train - Ales from Thirsty Dog Brewery

Sample five unique beers to learn about their appearance, bouquet, body, flavors, and finish while you enjoy appetizers designed to complement each brew. Ages 21 and older. Reservations required. Fee: \$45 coach, \$65 first class, and \$80 executive class/dome seats. Akron Northside Station, 7 - 9 p.m. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.CVSR.com.

Saturday, July 14

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Canoe Adventure

Canoe the canal from Nesmith Lake to downtown Akron. Fee. Richard Howe House, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. To register call 330-374-5657 or visit www.ohioeriecanal.org.

Countryside Farmers’ Market

Howe Meadow, 9 a.m. - noon. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Explore Kendall Hills

Join a park ranger for a moderately challenging 2-mile nature walk, exploring the Kendall Hills and Kendall Lake shore. Kendall Lake Shelter, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Junior Ranger - Green Alien Invaders

Green aliens are invading Cuyahoga Valley forests! Who are these leafy interlopers? Help fight the invaders through games and fun-filled activities. 2 - 4 p.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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37th Music in the Valley

Bring a chair and your family for a day of listening to music throughout the grounds at Hale Farm & Village. This is a Civil War 150 event. Fee. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information call 330-666-3711 or visit www.halefarm.org.

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - Polliwogs and Water Bugs

The pond is a busy, exciting place in the summer. Let's get our fingers wet as we explore wetlands and take a closer look at the creatures that live there. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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Survivor Camp begins

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Pesky Plant Hike - Field Fight

Meadows and fields are often subject to plant invasions. Discover how native plants are fighting to regain territory and how the park is helping. Come prepared to carpool. Canal Visitor Center, 9 - 11 a.m.

CVSR Hike Aboard!

Journey through CVNP aboard CVSR and then hike back along the challenging Buckeye Trail. Fee: \$2 per hiker. 4.5 miles, Boston Store Visitor Center, 9:15 a.m.

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Tunes Along the Trail - Dave Henterly

Stop by with a blanket to hear spoons/washboard outdoor music along the Towpath Trail. Cancelled during inclement weather, Canal Visitor Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

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Evening Marshlands

Join a park ranger to explore a beaver marsh at dusk, a time when many animals are active. Ira Trailhead, 8 - 10 p.m.

Monday, July 16

Junior Ranger Day Camp begins

Through Friday, July 20. For ages 6 - 11. Fee: \$200. Happy Days Lodge, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. daily. Before and after care is offered the week of July 23, Monday through Thursday, for an additional fee.

Little Legs Hike - Shapes in Nature

This less-than-one-mile discovery hike is designed for ages 4 - 6. Horseshoe Pond, 10 - 11 a.m.

Tuesday, July 17

No events scheduled

Wednesday, July 18

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Junior Ranger - Pollinators in Season

What is a pollinator and how are they important in CVNP? Join a park ranger on this discovery stroll along the Towpath Trail. 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Dinner in the Valley

Join us for a berry-themed meal surrounded by beautiful farm fields. Stroll the grounds and chat with the farmer throughout the evening. Greenfield Berry Farm, 6 p.m. For pricing and reservations, call 330-657-2796 ext. 121 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

Early Evening Hike

Join a park ranger during the cooler evening hours for these moderately paced hikes. Hike 3.1 miles on the moderately difficult Boston Run Trail. Happy Days Lodge, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 19

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - A Very Busy Forest

Come explore the wonders of the busy woods through art, story, hiking, and nature play. We'll search for clues to uncover what animals live among the trees. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Countryside Farmers' Market

Highland Square, 4 - 7 p.m. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Campfires Tales - American Indians in the Valley

Bring a blanket and a picnic dinner. We'll play games on the lawn, and then light the campfire (indoors if the weather is poor) and share some good old-fashioned campfire tales. Afterwards,

walk to the Ledges Overlook for a beautiful sunset. Alcohol is prohibited. Octagon Shelter, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. campfire begins.

Cuyahoga Valley Photographic Society - Daniel Mainzer: The Intuitive Photographer

To produce emotional, evocative images, one needs to tap into intuition. To Daniel, intuition is the sum of your experiences and personality filtered through your senses and then the camera to create the photo. Nature is never still; everything is always moving. Instant decision-making is required, and we will explore what is needed to do it well. Free. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 9 p.m. For more information contact CVPS at info@cvps.org or the Conservancy at 330-657-2909.

Volunteer Orientation

Fundamentals: An Introduction to National Park Service Volunteerism provides an orientation to the NPS, CVNP, the Conservancy, and the Volunteers-in-Parks Program. Location provided upon registration. 7 - 9 p.m. on 7/19 and 10 a.m. - noon on 9/8. To register contact the volunteer office.

Friday, July 20

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - What About Bats!

Bats used to be pictured as something to fear, but their image is changing. Join a park ranger as we explore the important role they play in CVNP. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

CVSR Wine-Tasting Express - A Taste of Australian Wines

Enjoy an evening presentation of choice wines and tasty appetizers while experiencing the Cuyahoga Valley's scenic beauty by rail. Ages 21 and older. Reservations required. Fee: \$55 coach, \$75 first class, and \$90 executive class/dome seats. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.CVSR.com. Akron Northside Station, 7 - 9 p.m.

Cuyahoga Animals - Light Dancers

The lightning bug's flash does more than light up the night. It is a mating signal that males and females send to each other. With Park Ranger Paul Motts, observe firefly light displays during their peak courtship. Ira Trailhead, 9 - 10:30 p.m.

Saturday, July 21

Camp-in begins

Bring family and friends for a relaxing evening of free play and stories around the campfire, followed by a night under the stars. Bring your own camping equipment. Free. To register call 330-657-2752. Information will be e-mailed to participants upon registration.

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Python Day

Join us at this popular event, featuring activities throughout the Village of Peninsula. Park rangers and Wildlife Watcher volunteers will provide a close-up look at local reptiles and help you make a slithering snake craft. Near Peninsula Depot Visitor Center, noon to 4 p.m. For complete event information, visit www.explorepenninsula.com.

Bird Watching - Summer Tunes

Birds hidden among the leaves in the deep upland forests can be identified if you know the right tune. Join Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar to learn which birds are producing summer serenades along the 2.5-mile Oak Hill trail system. Oak Hill Trailhead, 7:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Just Walk With a Doc

Join Richard Kratche, M.D., medical director of Cleveland Clinic Twinsburg Family Health and Surgery Center, and a park ranger for a casual 3 to 5 mile walk to learn more about health issues, improve fitness, and enjoy your national park. Choose how far you want to walk and go at your own pace. Canal Visitor Center, 8:30 a.m.

Countryside Farmers' Market

Howe Meadow, 9 a.m. - noon. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

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Hale Farm Country Fair

Enjoy antique farm equipment and tractors, field work demonstrations, games of days gone by, homemade ice cream, and trade and crafts artisans at work. Fee. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information call 330-666-3711 or visit www.halefarm.org.

Brandywine Falls Walk

Take a short, easy stroll to discover this 60-foot waterfall. Brandywine Falls, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Tunes Along the Trail - Kerry Kean Trio

Stop by with a blanket to hear blues/bluegrass/country outdoor music along the Towpath Trail. Cancelled during inclement weather, Peninsula Depot Visitor Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

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Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Sunday, July 22**Camp-in ends**

Bring family and friends for a relaxing evening of free play and stories around the campfire, followed by a night under the stars. Bring your own camping equipment. Free. To register call 330-657-2752. Information will be e-mailed to participants upon registration.

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Beat the Heat Hike

5.5 miles of the moderately difficult Towpath, Stanford, and Gorge trails. Boston Store Visitor Center, 8 - 10:30 a.m.

Art @ M.D. Garage - From Sea to Shining Sea

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Hale Farm Country Fair

Enjoy antique farm equipment and tractors, field work demonstrations, games of days gone by, homemade ice cream, and trade and crafts artisans at work. Fee. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information call 330-666-3711 or visit www.halefarm.org.

Brandywine Falls Walk

Take a short, easy stroll to discover this 60-foot waterfall. Brandywine Falls, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Weekend Family Theatre in the Big Red Barn

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Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Monday, July 23

Junior Ranger Day Camp begins

Through Friday, July 27. For ages 6 - 11. Fee: \$200. Happy Days Lodge, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. daily. Before and after care is offered the week of July 23, Monday through Thursday, for an additional fee.

Tuesday, July 24

Junior Ranger, Jr. - Really Big Rocks

Step into a wondrous place of huge rocks, evergreens, and moss. A hike below the Ledges is always special. How were these rocks made? Do they change? Come find out! 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Countryside U - Land for Your Farm Business

The Countryside Conservancy offers a wide array of workshops, classes, and seminars intended to inspire, educate, and mobilize the next generation of farmers and food producers. For fees and to register call Katie Myers-Griffith at 330-657-2542 ext. 222 or visit www.cvcountryside.org. Locations will be given upon registration. 6 - 9 p.m.

Wednesday, July 25

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Junior Ranger - Ultimate Junior Ranger Challenge

Race against time as you compete in a series of challenges that test your outdoor skills. See if you have what it takes to be called the Ultimate Junior Ranger! This is a Let's Move Outside! program. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100

Music in the Meadow - Carlos Jones & the PLUS Band

Carlos Jones & the PLUS Band delivers soulful roots reggae with infectious rhythms and creative percussion. Grab a blanket and a picnic dinner and bring your family to hear FREE music in the national park! The celebration begins with lawn games and a musical craft. The concert series is presented by CVNP and the Conservancy with promotional support by AudioTechnica. Alcohol prohibited. Donations to support this series will be accepted at each event. Howe Meadow, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. concert begins. After the concert, cap off your evening with a ranger-led walk or Twilight Talk with a Ranger. Concerts are cancelled during severe weather. Call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for an update.

Summer Fun Run

This free noncompetitive run offers cross-country-style routes from 3 to 6 miles. Runners and walkers of all levels are welcome. To add to the fun, details and route options will remain a secret until that evening. Run takes place regardless of weather conditions. Raffles and an ice cream social will take place after the run. Brandywine Falls, 7 p.m.

Thursday, July 26

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Junior Ranger - Ledges Ramble

Explore the nooks and crannies above, below, and between enormous blocks of rock. Learn to use a GPS unit to find your way. Wear sturdy shoes for this easy 1.8-mile trail exploration. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Junior Ranger, Jr. - All Aboard For Fun!

Travel by train to Canal Visitor Center where we'll explore a 19th-century lock, participate in historic games, and find out what kids did for fun during the canal era. Bring a lunch and dress for the weather. Fee: \$15 per child, \$12 Conservancy members, \$6 per additional passenger. 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Countryside Farmers' Market

Highland Square, 4 - 7 p.m. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Go Native! Workshops - Attracting Wildlife With Native Plants

Explore the various ways of attracting wildlife such as hummingbirds and butterflies with native plants. Boston Store Visitor Center, 6 - 8 p.m. To register call 330-657-2752.

Civil War Lecture Series - Political Graverobbery

In commemoration of the Civil War sesquicentennial, listen to experts detail historical aspects of this American conflict. Free. G.A.R. Hall Museum, 7 p.m. For more information visit www.peninsulahistory.org.

Contra Dance

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads the dancers while the band *Hu\$hmoney* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Comfortable clothing and shoes recommended. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing.

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Chef Camp ends

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Junior Ranger - After the Chores

Was life all work and no play for children growing up on a farm? Not after the chores were finished! Have fun with games and activities that entertained children in times past. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100

Outrageous Exploration hike - Taking Flight

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Countryside Farmers' Market/ Saturdays at the Market

Park Ranger Rebecca Jones visits the Countryside Farmers' Market on the fourth Saturday of the

month. Come learn a bit of history about a fruit or vegetable in season. What fruit was created to slow a woman down? What vegetable caused a revolution? Maybe take home a new recipe. Howe Meadow, 9 a.m. - noon. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org

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Junior Ranger - Pollinators in Season

What is a pollinator and how are they important in CVNP? Join a park ranger on this discovery stroll along the Towpath Trail. 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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Cuyahoga Animals - Night Animal Sounds

Join Park Ranger Paul Motts for this opportunity to discover which animals are making the sounds that highlight our summer evenings along the 1.5-mile Oak Hill Trail. Wear hiking boots and bring a small flashlight. Oak Hill Trailhead, 8:30 - 10 p.m.

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Tunes Along the Trail - Zach

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Legacy of the CCC

Imagine yourself as a Civilian Conservation Corps worker during the 1930s. Join a park ranger on this 2-mile trek as we explore the legacy they left behind. Kendall Lake Shelter, 2 - 4 p.m.

Monday, July 30

Teacher Workshop begins

Interested in teaching your students about sustainability, biodiversity, pollution prevention, and what they can do to improve the health of Ohio's waterways? Join us for a weeklong workshop offered through the Great Lakes Earth Partnership RESTORE Institute with area partners: the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park, National Park Service, and Cuyahoga Soil and

Water Conservation District. Fee: \$100. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. daily. For more information or to register, contact Connie Dages at 330-657-2796 ext. 100 or cdages@forcvnp.org.

Junior Ranger - Green Alien Invaders

Green aliens are invading Cuyahoga Valley forests! Who are these leafy interlopers? Help fight the invaders through games and fun-filled activities. 2 - 4 p.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Tuesday, July 31

Junior Ranger, Jr. - Meet the Unhuggables

A park ranger leads the hunt for “unhuggable” animals and plants that are in need of friends. Discover the important roles these ugly ducklings play in nature. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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Community Band Festival

Enjoy performances by the Canal Fulton, Medina, and Western Reserve community bands and the final performance of the concert band from Music Camp by Nature. Free. Happy Days Lodge, 6 - 9 p.m.

Full Moon/ Early Evening Hike

Hiking at night under a full moon is a memorable experience, especially when your guide is a park ranger. Hike 2.25-mile round-trip walk to the Beaver Marsh along the Towpath Trail. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 8 - 10 p.m.

Thursday, August 2

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Junior Ranger - Leave It to Beavers

Take a closer look at the life of a beaver. Discover how these animals can change a habitat to create a new one. We'll take a hike to search for signs of beaver activity. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Junior Ranger, Jr. - Eating Sunlight

Head out to a farm and discover how your food grows. Harvest and taste some of the farm's produce as we go on a journey from seed to vegetable. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Countryside Farmers' Market

Highland Square, 4 - 7 p.m. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Campfires Tales - Tales of the Irish

Bring a blanket and a picnic dinner. We'll play games on the lawn, and then light the campfire (indoors if the weather is poor) and share some good old-fashioned campfire tales. Afterwards, walk to the Ledges Overlook for a beautiful sunset. Alcohol is prohibited. Octagon Shelter, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. campfire begins.

Friday, August 3

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - What About Bats!

Bats used to be pictured as something to fear, but their image is changing. Join a park ranger as we explore the important role they play in CVNP. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Junior Ranger - Forest Night Hike

Join a park ranger for an easy hike in the moonlit woods and learn about nocturnal wildlife. No flashlights for this adventure! 8 - 10 p.m. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Saturday, August 4

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Junior Ranger Camp Out begins

Join a park ranger to learn about the night sky, play games, and enjoy a night of camping under the stars. Space is limited, and camping equipment is available upon request. Fee: \$20 per family. Children are required to be accompanied by an adult. Saturday 5 p.m. – Sunday 8 a.m. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Little Legs Hike - Listening to Our World

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Bird Watching - Migrating Warblers

Migrating warblers are already starting to arrive in the Cuyahoga Valley from their northern breeding areas. Join Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar as we search for early returning songbirds in lowland forests and small, open fields. Trails are often muddy. Wetmore Trailhead, 7 - 10 a.m.

Countryside Farmers' Market

Howe Meadow, 9 a.m. - noon. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

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Come Trek With Us!

Join us for an informative walk n' talk along the Towpath Trail to learn about the canal era, the Big Red Wheel, and the people who put Akron on the map! Mustill Store, 11 a.m. - noon. For more information call 330-374-5625 or visit www.cascadelocks.org.

Brandywine Falls Walk

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Cuyahoga Animals - Bat Flight

The Stanford Barn is often a great place to watch for emerging bats in the early evening. Join Park Ranger Paul Motts for a short hike to see female bats with their young. Program will be cancelled if it rains. Boston Store Visitor Center, 7:30 - 10 p.m.

Sunday, August 5

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Tunes Along the Trail - Dale Galgozy

Stop by with a blanket to hear guitar/singing outdoor music along the Towpath Trail. Cancelled during inclement weather, Canal Visitor Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Horses in the Valley

Horses harnessed to the fronts of wagons, plows, or canal boats are pastoral images from the Cuyahoga Valley's past. Of all the farm animals in the national park, the horse's role has changed most over the years. Today, on horseback is one of the many ways to explore the national park and to volunteer! Drop by to meet the horses and riders of the CVNP Trailblazer mounted patrol. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Music By Nature - *Solaris Wind Quintet*

Innovative programming and sparkling personality are the hallmarks of a *Solaris* concert. Since its formation in 1976 as ensemble-in-residence at the University of Akron, *Solaris* has established a reputation as one of the foremost woodwind quintets in the United States. Happy Days Lodge. 6:30 p.m. Dessert reception to follow. Grounds open at 5 p.m. for picnicking. Admission: \$20, \$17 Conservancy members (includes a dessert reception). Season ticket subscription (all 3 concerts): \$54, \$45 Conservancy members. General seating. Advance sales are available until 3 p.m. on Friday for that Sunday's show by calling 330-657-2909 ext. 100.

Monday, August 6

No events scheduled

Tuesday, August 7

Habitat Restoration - Collect Seeds From Native Plants

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Music in the Meadow - *The Wanda Hunt Band*

With Wanda Hunt's seven-piece band and her outstanding vocals and you have an amazing evening of old-school rhythm and blues. Grab a blanket and a picnic dinner and bring your family to hear FREE music in the national park! The celebration begins with lawn games and a musical craft. The concert series is presented by CVNP and the Conservancy with promotional support by AudioTechnica. Alcohol prohibited. Donations to support this series will be accepted at each event. Howe Meadow, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. concert begins. After the concert, cap off your evening with a ranger-led walk or Twilight Talk with a Ranger. Concerts are cancelled during severe weather. Call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for an update.

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Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads the dancers while the band *Hu\$money* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Comfortable clothing and shoes recommended. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing.

Friday, August 10

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Civil War Reenactment

Listen to the Drums of August and witness the invasion of Civil War re-enactors. Stroll among soldier tents, bump into Abraham Lincoln, and shop for historic items. This is a Civil War 150 event. Fee. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information call 330-666-3711 or

visit www.halefarm.org.

Junior Ranger - Twilight Bat Flight

Eavesdrop on the ultrasonic calls of these fascinating fliers as we take an evening hike with special detectors to a longtime roost. Learn about the role of bats in the environment and the newest threat that faces them. 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. May be combined with Night Sky Discovery for one price (See below.) Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Junior Ranger - Night Sky Discovery

Begin the evening with a campfire, observe celestial objects with the naked eye and telescopes, and finish with a moonlit walk back to your car. 8:30 - 10:30 p.m. May be combined with Twilight Bat Flight for one price.

Saturday, August 11

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Off the Beaten Path hike - Misty Morning Meander

Try an early morning 5-mile ramble along the ridges and ravines between the Buckeye Trail and Blue Hen Falls. Columbia Run Picnic Area, 7 - 10 a.m.

Tour-du-Towpath

Families, come bicycle the Towpath Trail in Summit and Stark counties. Fee. Canal Fulton Canalway Center, 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. For registration information call 330-374-5657 or visit www.ohioeriecanal.org.

Jr. Ranger Bird Watching

Join a park ranger for these FREE adventures to see and hear what you've been missing! For ages 7 and older. Ira Trailhead, 9 - 11 a.

Countryside Farmers' Market

Howe Meadow, 9 a.m. - noon. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Art @ M.D. Garage - Sweet Summertime

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Brandywine Falls Walk

Take a short, easy stroll to discover this 60-foot waterfall. Brandywine Falls, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Bug City

Learn what insects do, why we need them, and even what they taste like! Garfield Park Nature Center, 11 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. For more information call 216-341-3152 or visit www.clevelandmetroparks.com.

Weekend Family Theatre in the Big Red Barn

Canal Corners Farm & Market presents *Singin' on the Ohio*, the canal journey of a young girl from Cleveland who travels the length of the Ohio & Erie Canal in 1845. Fee: \$10. Canal Corners Farm & Market, 1 and 3 p.m. For more information visit us at www.facebook.com/canalcorners.

Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Sunday, August 12**Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad (CVSR) Regular Excursions**

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Brandywine Falls Walk

Take a short, easy stroll to discover this 60-foot waterfall. Brandywine Falls, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Family Fun Day

Drop by any of the locations below to participate in family activities. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

- Investigate pelts and skulls, Beaver Marsh
- Play games, Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center
- Make a craft, Kendall Lake Shelter
- Enjoy a special treat, Trail Mix
- Discover history, Boston Store Visitor Center
- Learn about bald eagles, Station Road Bridge Trailhead
- Chat with a canal-era character, Canal Visitor Center

The “discover history” programs feature special guests Burning River “N” Gauge Society Model Railroading in July and SBB Quilting Guild in August.

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Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Tunes Along the Trail - Paul Kovak

Stop by with a blanket to hear traditional banjo and fiddle outdoor music along the Towpath Trail. Cancelled during inclement weather, Peninsula Depot Visitor Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Pesky Plant Hike - Marsh Mayhem

Purple loosestrife can drastically alter wetland and marsh ecosystems. Learn how this offender affects the Beaver Marsh and those that call it home. Ira Trailhead, 2 - 4 p.m.

Come Trek With Us!

Join us for an informative walk n’ talk along the Towpath Trail to learn about the canal era, the Big Red Wheel, and the people who put Akron on the map! Mustill Store, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.. For more information call 330-374-5625 or visit www.cascadelocks.org.

Evening Marshlands

Join a park ranger to explore a beaver marsh at dusk, a time when many animals are active. Ira Trailhead, 8 - 10 p.m.

Monday, August 13

No events scheduled

Tuesday, August 14

Preserving Nature’s Bounty

Join Heather Walters, a Countryside Initiative farmer, to learn the ins and outs of canning your local food. Before the program begins, Park Ranger Rebecca Jones will share the history of food preservation in the Cuyahoga Valley and how we continue this tradition today. Fee: \$25. Basket of Life Farm, 6 p.m. To register contact Katie Myers-Griffith at 330-657-2542 or kmyers@cvcountryside.org.

Habitat Restoration – Collect Seeds From Native Plants

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Wednesday, August 15**Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad (CVSR) Regular Excursions**

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Early Evening Hike

Join a park ranger during the cooler evening hours for these moderately paced hikes. Hike 2.25-mile walk to the Beaver Marsh along the Towpath Trail. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 7 - 9 p.m.

Thursday, August 16**Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad (CVSR) Regular Excursions**

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Junior Ranger - Forest Night Hike

Farmers can grow pizza? Come to the farm to pick your own pizza makings and discover just where some of your food comes from. 10 a.m. - noon. Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs earn a 2012 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Countryside Farmers' Market

Highland Square, 4 - 7 p.m., For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Campfires Tales - The Men Behind the Myth

Bring a blanket and a picnic dinner. We'll play games on the lawn, and then light the campfire (indoors if the weather is poor) and share some good old-fashioned campfire tales. Afterwards, walk to the Ledges Overlook for a beautiful sunset. Alcohol is prohibited. Octagon Shelter, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. campfire begins.

Dinner in the Valley

Enjoy a meal of lamb and local produce after observing a border collie herding demonstration. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 6 p.m. For pricing and reservations, call 330-657-2796 ext. 121 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

Cuyahoga Valley Photographic Society - Members' Show

This popular show is an opportunity for members to share up to five digital images. An optional

critique will be offered by two professional photographers. Please visit the Gallery page at www.cvps.org for the digital file criteria. Free. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 9 p.m. For more information contact CVPS at info@cvps.org or the Conservancy at 330-657-2909.

Friday, August 17

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Outrageous Exploration hike – Skipping Stones and Climbing Steps

These vigorous exploration hikes of up to 2.5 miles are geared for ages 7 - 12. Everett Road Covered Bridge, 7 - 8 p.m.

CVSR Wine-Tasting Express - 4th Annual Napa Valley Wine Train

Enjoy an evening presentation of choice wines and tasty appetizers while experiencing the Cuyahoga Valley's scenic beauty by rail. Ages 21 and older. Reservations required. Fee: \$55 coach, \$75 first class, and \$90 executive class/dome seats. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.CVSR.com. Boston Mill Station, 7 - 9 p.m.

Saturday, August 18

Camp-in begins

Bring family and friends for a relaxing evening of free play and stories around the campfire, followed by a night under the stars. Bring your own camping equipment. Free. To register call 330-657-2752. Information will be e-mailed to participants upon registration.

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Just Walk With a Doc

Join Richard Kratche, M.D., medical director of Cleveland Clinic Twinsburg Family Health and Surgery Center, and a park ranger for a casual 3 to 5 mile walk to learn more about health issues, improve fitness, and enjoy your national park. Choose how far you want to walk and go at your own pace. Canal Visitor Center, 8:30 a.m.

Countryside Farmers' Market

Howe Meadow, 9 a.m. - noon. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Seeds of Learning Farm and Food Program - This Little Farmer Goes to Market

Explore the outdoor living history museum through a hands-on tutorial on farm chores, and then head off to the Countryside Farmers' Market to meet local farmers and enjoy a late-morning snack. For children ages 4 - 12. Hale Farm & Village, 9:30 a.m. - noon. For more information, fees, and to register by June 8, call 330-657-2796 ext. 100.

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Brandywine Falls Walk

Take a short, easy stroll to discover this 60-foot waterfall. Brandywine Falls, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Weekend Family Theatre in the Big Red Barn

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Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Tunes Along the Trail - Bill Brennan

Stop by with a blanket to hear hammered dulcimer outdoor music along the Towpath Trail. Cancelled during inclement weather, Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Boomerang Practice Day

Hone your skills before tomorrow's Boomerang Extravaganza. Howe Meadow, 2 - 4 p.m. Everyone welcome, from beginner to expert. Boomerangs provided, or bring your own.

Sunday, August 19

Camp-in ends

Bring family and friends for a relaxing evening of free play and stories around the campfire, followed by a night under the stars. Bring your own camping equipment. Free. To register call 330-657-2752. Information will be e-mailed to participants upon registration.

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Beat the Heat Hike

7 miles of the challenging Wetmore bridle trails. Wetmore Trailhead, 8 - 11 a.m.

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Boomerang Extravaganza

Join us for flying instruction and friendly competition. Fee: \$3 per participant (includes use of boomerangs). Howe Meadow, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Practice field opens at 9 a.m. Everyone welcome, from beginner to expert. Boomerangs provided, or bring your own.

Brandywine Falls Walk

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Hang Out at Hunt

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Monday, August 20

No events scheduled

Tuesday, August 21

Habitat Restoration - Collect Seeds From Native Plants

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Wednesday, August 22

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Music in the Meadow - *Hey Mavis*

This Americana band features timeless stories, traditional instruments, and soulful vocals that weave together to create an edgy and energetic tapestry of love, life, laughter, and song. Grab a blanket and a picnic dinner and bring your family to hear FREE music in the national park! The celebration begins with lawn games and a musical craft. The concert series is presented by CVNP and the Conservancy with promotional support by AudioTechnica. Alcohol prohibited. Donations to support this series will be accepted at each event. Howe Meadow, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. concert begins. After the concert, cap off your evening with a ranger-led walk or Twilight Talk with a Ranger. Concerts are cancelled during severe weather. Call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for an update.

Thursday, August 23

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Countryside Farmers' Market

Highland Square, 4 - 7 p.m. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Civil War Lecture Series - Way Up North in Dixie: A Black Family's Claim to the Confederate Anthem

In commemoration of the Civil War sesquicentennial, listen to experts detail historical aspects of this American conflict. Free. G.A.R. Hall Museum, 7 p.m. For more information visit www.peninsulahistory.org.

Contra Dance

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads the dancers while the band *Hu\$hmoney* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Comfortable clothing and shoes recommended. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing.

Friday, August 24

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Go Native! Workshops - Identifying and Removing Invasive Plants

Learn how to identify and remove invasive plants that may be causing problems in your garden. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 5 - 7 p.m. To register call 330-657-2752.

Saturday, August 25

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Bird Watching - Beaver Marshlands

Freshwater wetlands are among the most productive ecosystems in the Cuyahoga Valley. They support a diversity of late-summer feeding and resting birds. Join Park Ranger Paul Motts to find which birds are present in the areas surrounding a beaver marshland. Ira Trailhead, 8 - 10:30 a.m.

Countryside Farmers' Market – Tomato Tasting and Salsa Smackdown/ Saturdays at the Market

Park Ranger Rebecca Jones visits the Countryside Farmers' Market on the fourth Saturday of the month. Come learn a bit of history about a fruit or vegetable in season. What fruit was created to slow a woman down? What vegetable caused a revolution? Maybe take home a new recipe. Howe Meadow, 9 a.m. - noon. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit [www.cvcountryside](http://www.cvcountryside.org)

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Tunes Along the Trail - Tina Bergmann

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Sunday, August 26

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Monday, August 27

No events scheduled.

Tuesday, August 28

Habitat Restoration - Collect Seeds From Native Plants

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Wednesday, August 29

No events scheduled.

Thursday, August 30

Countryside Farmers' Market

Highland Square, 4 - 7 p.m. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Countryside U - Blueberry 101

The Countryside Conservancy offers a wide array of workshops, classes, and seminars intended to inspire, educate, and mobilize the next generation of farmers and food producers. For fees and to register call Katie Myers-Griffith at 330-657-2542 ext. 222 or visit www.cvcountryside.org. Locations will be given upon registration. 6 - 9 p.m.

Friday, August 31

Full Moon Hike

Hiking at night under a full moon is a memorable experience, especially when your guide is a park ranger. Hike 5 miles on the easy terrain of the Oak Hill and Plateau trails. Enjoy the peaceful settings of Meadow Edge and Sylvan ponds. Oak Hill Trailhead, 8 - 10:30 p.m.

Program Locations

Akron Northside Station - 27 Ridge Street, off Howard Street in downtown Akron 44304

Basket of Life Farm - 4965 Quick Road, park next door at Armington Pond, Peninsula 44264

Beaver Marsh - along the Towpath Trail between Ira and Hunt Farm trailheads, Peninsula 44264

Boston Mill Station - intersection of Boston Mills and Riverview roads, Peninsula 44264

Boston Store Visitor Center - 1550 Boston Mills Road, east of Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

Boston Township School House - 1775 Main Street, corner of SR 303 and Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

Boston Trailhead - 1508 Boston Mills Road, Peninsula 44264

Botzum Trailhead / Station - 2928 Riverview Road, south of Bath Road, Akron 44313

Brandywine Falls - 8176 Brandywine Road, south of Highland Road, north of Twinsburg Road, Sagamore Hills 44067

Brecksville Station - at Station Road Bridge Trailhead, Brecksville 44141

Canal Corners Farm & Market - 7243 Canal Road, Valley View 44125

Canal Fulton Canalway Center - 125 Tuscarawas Street, Canal Fulton 44614

Canal Visitor Center - 7104 Canal Road, intersection of Canal and Hillside roads, Valley View 44125

CanalWay Center - 4524 East 49th Street, Cleveland 44125

Canton Lincoln Highway Station - 1315 Tuscarawas Street West, 0.5 mile east of I-77 off Brown Avenue, Canton 44702

Columbia Run Picnic Area - 7492 Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center - 3675 Oak Hill Road, south of Major Road, Peninsula 44264

Everett Road Covered Bridge - 2370 Everett Road, 0.5 mile west of Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

G.A.R. Hall Museum - 1785 Main Street, Peninsula 44264

Garfield Park Nature Center - 11350 Broadway Avenue, Cleveland 44125

Greenfield Berry Farm - 2485 Major Road, Peninsula 44264

Hale Farm & Village - 2686 Oak Hill Road, north of Ira Road, Bath 44210

Happy Days Lodge - 500 West Streetsboro Road (SR 303), 1 mile west of SR 8, Peninsula 44264

Highland Square Market - intersection of Conger Avenue and West Market Street, Akron 44303

Hines Hill Conference Center - 1403 West Hines Hill Road, Peninsula 44264

Horseshoe Pond - 2075 Major Road, 1 mile west of Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

Howe Meadow - 4040 Riverview Road, 4 miles south of SR 303, Peninsula 44264

Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center - 2054 Bolanz Road, between Riverview and Akron Peninsula roads, Peninsula 44264

Indigo Lake Trailhead / Station - 4300 Riverview Road, south of Bolanz Road, Peninsula 44264

Ira Trailhead - 3801 Riverview Road, north of Ira Road, Peninsula 44264

Kendall Lake Shelter - Truxell / Kendall Park Road, 2 miles west of Akron Cleveland Road, Peninsula 44264

Ledges Shelter - Truxell / Kendall Park Road, 1 mile west of Akron Cleveland Road, Peninsula 44264

Lock 3 - 200 South Main Street, Akron 44308

Lock 29 Trailhead - 1650 Mill Street, Peninsula 44264

M.D. Garage - adjacent to Boston Store Visitor Center, Peninsula 44264

Mustill Store - within Cascade Locks Park, off West North Street, just west of Howard Street, Akron 44304

Oak Hill Trailhead - 3901 Oak Hill Road, 1.3 miles south of Major Road, Peninsula 44264

Octagon Shelter - Truxell / Kendall Park Road , 1.5 miles west of Akron Cleveland Road, Peninsula 44264

Peninsula Depot Visitor Center - 1630 Mill Street, off Akron Peninsula Road, north of SR 303, Peninsula 44264

Pine Hollow Trailhead - 5465 Quick Road, 1 mile east of Akron Peninsula Road, Peninsula 44264

Richard Howe House - 47 West Exchange Street, Akron 44308

Rockside Station - 7900 Old Rockside Road, one block north of Rockside Road off Canal Road, Independence 44131

Sarah's Vineyard - 1204 West Steels Corners Road, Cuyahoga Falls 44223

The Spicy Lamb Farm - 6560 Akron Peninsula Road, accessible only from Boston Mills Road, Peninsula 44264

Stanford House / Trailhead - 6093 Stanford Road, Peninsula 44264

Station Road Bridge Trailhead - 13513 Riverview Road, 1/8 mile south of SR 82, Brecksville 44141

Trail Mix Store - 1565 Boston Mills Road, Peninsula 44264

Wetmore Trailhead - 4653 Wetmore Road, 2 miles east of Akron Peninsula Road, Peninsula 44264

Most park facilities and the Towpath Trail are wheelchair accessible. For specific information on program accessibility, call 330-657-2752.

Visitor Center Hours

Boston Store Visitor Center exhibits tell the story of canal boat building in the valley. Daily, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Canal Visitor Center focuses on life along the canal and human history in the valley. Daily, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center has kid-friendly exhibits, weekend drop-in activities during the summer, and general park information. Daily, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Peninsula Depot Visitor Center is an information/orientation facility developed to help visitors explore CVNP, Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad, the Village of Peninsula, and the Ohio & Erie Canalway. Mondays and Tuesdays, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Program Information

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